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 Mrs. Carolyn—Great English Clairvoyant and Palmist tells all you wish to know. Can be consulted at 40 Main St.  
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**CHANGE OF LOCATION.**  
 I wish to inform the public that I have recently opened up a new store at No. 179 West Main St., next to Fire Station. Get your Xmas Presents in the Remnant Line from me. Woolen and Cotton Goods, Silk and Fancy Waist Patterns. Good lengths, suitable for ladies' suits and skirts.  
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**171ST DIVIDEND.**  
 Office of The Norwich Savings Society, Norwich, Conn., Dec. 11, 1905.  
 The Directors of this Society have declared out of the earnings of the current six months a semi-annual dividend at the rate of FOUR PER CENT. per annum, payable to depositors entitled thereto, on and after Jan. 15th, 1910.  
 dec17daw **COSTELLO LIPPITT, Treasurer.**

**THE RUUD MAN**  
 is here this week giving a demonstration of their  
**AUTOMATIC INSTANTANEOUS GAS WATER HEATER.**  
 Don't fail to see it.

**Norwich Gas & Electric Dep't.**  
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**DENTISTRY**  
 The dental business established by my brother, whose assistant I was for many years, will be continued by me, assisted by Dr. V. D. E. Dec. 11, 1905.  
 It will be a pleasure to see the former customers of my brother and as many new ones as will visit me with their patronage. Extracting 25c and up.  
 nov19d **DR. CHAS. B. ELDRED.**

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**The Bulletin.**  
 Norwich, Wednesday, Dec. 22, 1905.

**VARIOUS MATTERS**  
 Choirs are holding extra rehearsals this week.  
 Christmas wreaths already decorate many windows.  
 You can depend on Perkins' candy as being absolutely pure—adv.  
 The Weatherman continues to favor the merchants.  
 Fifty printed visiting cards for 25 cents at Bulletin office—adv.

The showy and handsome poinsettia figures in the holiday decorations.  
 Students and their guests, home for vacation, are adding to the social gayeties.  
 Tuesday was St. Thomas' day, not Friday, as stated yesterday by a typographical error.  
 Rare opportunity for dainty Xmas gifts at reasonable prices at Miss Clapp's Woman's Exchange—adv.

The express offices begin to look as though Santa Claus had dumped all his load of presents there.  
 Call at Grover & Herrick's for your candy and boxes for church and Sunday school entertainments—adv.

In many places next Sunday, December 26, the last Sunday of the year, will be observed as Hospital Sunday.  
 An interesting book recently added to the Otis library shelves is Jane Adams' "The Spirit of Youth and the City Streets."

The Bulletin has received from Congressman Higgins the official directory of the Sixty-first congress, second session, which contains valuable information and statistics.  
 Get your Xmas candy at Perkins', the good kind, our own manufacture—adv.

Almarin T. Hale, for many years the manager of the Mansion house at Fishers Island, has concluded his business relations with the Fernstones and will be no longer on the island.  
 An Assonet, Mass., correspondent notes that Mr. Freeman and Mr. Hotcroft of Norwich, Conn., have rented the Howard Hathaway property on Water street, Assonet, and will occupy it first of next year.

Washington-Sunset route to California—Touring sleeping car four times weekly without change. Personally conducted. Berth \$3.50. 170-228 Washington street, Boston—adv.

The current issue of the Connecticut Citizen publishes in full the recent letter of the county commissioners to the selectmen of the town of Norwich, refusing to grant or renew licenses in that location after November, 1910.

Hadley Potter of Norwich and Miss Laura Emily Beebe of Norwich Town were married Tuesday evening by the Rev. Peter C. Wright at his study in the Central Baptist church. They will reside on St. Regis street, the street recently opened from Bowtell avenue northerly through Potter manor.

Grover & Herrick are headquarters for special Xmas candy and novelties for schools and private parties—adv.

According to the report of the railroad association, the number of idle freight cars has grown from 39,528 to 57,470, showing a gain in two weeks of 17,942. A great number of the idle cars are due to the striking switchmen in the northeast. The shortage at present is 18,503 and the surplus of empty cars is 38,877.

Postmasters have been notified that by a change in ruling articles bearing Red Cross stamps addressed for delivery in Great Britain and Ireland, will be forwarded as usual until further notice. Senders should affix such stamps only to the back and not the address side of articles despatched to Great Britain and Ireland.

Henry Avery of 31 Madison avenue, Springfield, Mass., celebrated his 51st birthday Monday. Frank S. Avery, a nephew, and Mrs. Mary Fuller, a niece, both of Norwich, went to visit him in honor of the day. He was born in Griswold, December 29, 1853, son of John and Clara (Hastley) Avery. At the age of 21 he went to Springfield. September 15, 1874, he married Sarah H. Taylor of Springfield, who died in 1899. His mother was a daughter of Elisha Ayer of Leyard.

**Brigadier General Lawless Resigns.**  
 Brig. Gen. John J. Lawless of New London has resigned his office as commander of the Thirteenth regiment, the organization composed of Catholic boys in this state. Mr. Lawless gave as the reason for his resignation the fact that he has other matters of importance which need his attention, making it impossible to devote the time to the cadets which he considers should be given to the organization.  
 Mr. Lawless was the instigator of the movement for the organization of the cadets in this state.

**Boys Invited to Y. M. C. A.**  
 Tickets have been distributed to the boys at the Norwich Town, Falls and Broad street schools for an afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium on Thursday from 4.30 to 6 o'clock. They will be entertained in the same way as the boys from other school districts have been entertained already this season.

**Spoke in Los Angeles.**  
 Mrs. Bertha Hirsch Baruch's lecture on the Ministry of Music drew a distinguished audience to Simpson auditorium last night. The lecture, in a word, is the speaker's ideal of music as judged by its influence on the soul, says the Los Angeles Daily Times.

**Going to Florida.**  
 Edward Reed of this city, the well known piccolo player, leaves January 3 for Bellair, Fla., where he will play in the orchestra of Glen Phillips, consisting of prominent musicians.

**Auto Trip from Boston.**  
 Amos C. Swan left for Boston Tuesday evening to bring back a new auto this afternoon. Edward F. Price left this morning on the boat train for Boston to join Mr. Swan for the return trip in a machine.

**PERSONAL**  
 Charles R. Post of Norwich was a recent Niantic visitor.  
 Capt. Thomas Hamilton of Groton was a visitor in Norwich Monday.  
 Miss Thusa L. Gidman of Preston has resigned as teacher of English at the high school at Willimantic.  
 Mrs. Samuel Rogers and daughter Eleanor of Stafford Springs are visiting Mrs. W. H. Bush at Niantic.  
 Miss Mabel Tracy, teacher of the Black Point school, is spending her vacation at her home in Franklin.  
 J. William Callahan of the university of Maryland medical school is spending the Christmas vacation at his home on McKinley avenue.  
 Mrs. Walter Lewis, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Wolfson of Norwich, has returned to continue her visit with Mrs. Edwin Carson of Pearl street, Noank.

**OBITUARY.**  
**Charles A. Fitch.**  
 Charles A. Fitch, a highly respected resident of the East Side, passed quietly away Tuesday afternoon at 6.15 o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John A. Service, No. 57 Hamilton avenue. Since 1905 he has been an invalid, having had a shock at that time and another in May of 1906, but he has been seriously sick for only about two weeks, suffering from an attack of the grip and erysipelas.  
 Mr. Fitch was born Dec. 3, 1846, on the Preston side of the Shetucket river and was the son of Horace Austin Fitch and Ann Eliza O'Brien. He had always lived in this section of the city. As a young man he learned the brick moulder's trade and was employed for twenty-six years in the brass foundry of the Norwich Lock Manufacturing company. For about twenty years of that time he was foreman of the foundry and went with the company when it moved its plant to Roanoke, Va. After about a year there, he returned here, finding that the Virginia climate did not agree with him. He was variously employed then, but since his first shock fourteen years ago he has been unable to work.  
 Mr. Fitch was a member of Uniona lodge, No. 11, I. O. O. F., and had also served seven years as a member of Company C, Third regiment, of this city's national guard. He was a left a record without a blot and he was affectionate and beloved in his home life.  
 In this city, Feb. 16, 1889, he married Henrietta A. Van Cott, a daughter of him. He is also survived by his father, Horace Austin Fitch, and by his stepmother, and he leaves two daughters, Mrs. John A. Service and Mrs. Breton H. Service. His only brother, Russell Henry Fitch, passed away in 1893.

**Dr. Samuel B. St. John.**  
 Many in this city and vicinity will learn with deep regret and surprise of the death of Dr. Samuel B. St. John at Hartford at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning from angina pectoris. He was one of the best known physicians in Hartford, Conn., and was an ophthalmologist. He had been consulted and had treated many from this vicinity. He was at his office Monday afternoon at 5.45 o'clock Monday afternoon at his home, No. 104 Franklin street, in his 77th year, after a sickness with a complication of diseases extending over a period of six and a half weeks.  
 Mrs. Harder was born in Bridgton, N. J., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Redheffer, her maiden name being Annie Redheffer, being a descendant of the Redheffers who settled in Germantown, Pa., in 1740. On her mother's side she was a Quaker, her father, who with William Penn, settled in Pennsylvania. In her youth she attended the Friends school and church and her ancestry fought in the revolutionary war. In 1860 she married George W. Harder at Philadelphia. After living in New York and Suffolk, Conn., they located in this city in 1885, where since that time he has been a resident. Mr. Harder was a cigar maker and came here to work for N. C. Breckenridge. He afterwards started a business of his own, in which he was successful. He died December 15, eighteen years ago at about the same time of day that Mrs. Harder passed away.  
 Mrs. Harder was a woman of pleasant characteristics, who had a host of friends, attracted by her kind and sympathetic disposition. She took delight in helping others and many have felt the influence of her life. She was particularly devoted to her home and family.  
 She is survived by two sons, George W. and William H. Harder, cigar dealers of this city, and one daughter, Mrs. R. F. Goodwin of New Haven. She leaves two grandchildren, George Goodwin of New Haven and R. F. Goodwin, Jr., of Boston. She also leaves a sister, Mrs. Josephine Almon of Weymouth, Pa., and a brother, James Redheffer of Kansas City, Mo. Another brother, Thomas, died a number of years ago in Kansas City.  
 The wheat business of Argentina is growing more rapidly than that of any other country.

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**MEMBERS OF THE MAYFLOWER SOCIETY**  
 Entertained at New London at Hempstead House by Mrs. John L. Branch.

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 Work on Machine Shop 100x50 Nearly Completed.

The contractors have nearly finished work on a new machine shop, 100x50, for the John T. Young Boiler company, which will be ready for occupancy in the new building joins the north end of the machine shop, 75x50, erected in September. It is erected on concrete pillars and is metal sheathed, similar to the other building. It is expected to have it all finished and delivered to the company before the first of the year.

**CHILDREN CRY FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA**

**VAGARIES OF A COLD.**  
 You can never be quite sure where a cold is going to hit you. In the fall and winter it may settle in the bowels, producing severe pain. Do not be alarmed nor torment yourself with fears of appendicitis. At the first sign of a cramp take Perry Davis' Painkiller in warm, sweetened water and relief comes at once. There is but one Painkiller, Perry Davis'. 11

**Incidents in Society**  
 Miss Corinne E. White, teacher in music and drawing in Gardner, Me., is home for the holidays.  
 Eugene Walner goes to New York today (Wednesday) to spend the holidays with his son, Louis Walner.  
 Hurlburt Northrop of Williston seminary, Easthampton, Mass., is at his home on Beech Drive, for two weeks' vacation.  
 Miss Gertrude S. Hyde, a teacher in the art department of Mt. Holyoke college, comes to her home on Washington street, today (Wednesday), for the Christmas vacation.

**SPANISH WAR VETERANS.**  
 Annual Entertainment for Members and Friends Tonight.

The committee and members of Major R. S. Griswold command, Spanish War Veterans, have a fine programme in store this evening at the armory for the members of the Third company, C. A. C., and all soldiers who went to the Spanish war, who are to be their guests at a special entertainment. This is an annual custom observed by the S. W. V. command, which uses the Third company rooms for their meeting place.

**Licenses Granted.**  
 The county commissioners on Tuesday granted licenses to Joseph Peringer for the sale of liquors and druggists' licenses to Utley & Jones and Lee & Osgood Co.

**Banks Are Not All Alike**  
 There is a vast difference between a place merely to deposit your money, and check against it, and a place where every officer and every employee takes a friendly interest in your account.  
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**THE ANNUAL MEETING**  
 of the Mutual Assurance Company of the City of Norwich will be held at the Norwich Savings Society, Monday, Jan. 16th, at 10 a. m.  
**NOTICE TO POLICYHOLDERS.**  
 Policies will be renewed at the Norwich Savings Society on presentation. C. H. BUTTS, Treasurer.  
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**BRASS and IRON ANDIRONS**  
**GAS LOGS**  
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**WIRE SPARK GUARDS**  
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**FRED C. CROWELL'S,**  
 87 Water Street.  
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 The beautiful pink shower Begonia.

Nothing more exquisite for a Christmas or New Year Gift.  
 Large healthy plants in full bloom, from one dollar up. Ribbon trimmed in true Parisian Christmas style, 50c extra.  
 For sale at Ghanboubur, residence of Mrs. William C. Lanman.  
 Apply at the greenhouses to C. T. Beasley, Gardener.

**These plants are sold for the benefit of the Haile Club.**  
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**For Christmas Gifts**  
 —BUY—  
 Furs for ladies,  
 Fur Caps or Gloves for men,  
 Bath Robes,  
 Handsome Holiday Neckwear,  
 Umbrellas for ladies or men,  
 Walking Sticks,  
 Shirts of every kind,  
 Coat Sweaters,  
 Gloves of every description,  
 Full Dress necessities,  
 Caps, Hosiery, etc.

**McPHERSON'S,**  
 101 Main Street.  
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**Send that Christmas order to RALLION'S**  
 where it will be filled right  
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**Open Evenings**

**CHRISTMAS PRESENTS**  
 Look over the list to be found in the store of The Eaton Chase Co.

**For Children**  
 CHAIN KNIVES,  
 MOTORS,  
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 WAGONS,  
 ELECTRIC ENGINES,  
 SLIDS,  
 FOOT BALLS,  
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 POOL TABLES,  
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 RIFLES,  
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**For Men**  
 SHAVING SETS,  
 CUTLERY,  
 CARPENTERS' TOOLS,  
 FLASH LIGHTS,  
 CARVING SETS,  
 THERMOMETERS,  
 READING LAMPS,  
 FIREARMS,  
 TELEPHONES,  
 FISHING TACKLE.

**For Ladies**  
 GAS and ELECTRIC LAMPS,  
 CHAMPING DISHES,  
 FIRELESS COOKERS,  
 COFFEE PERCOLATORS,  
 SCISSORS,  
 CARPET SWEEPERS,  
 ELECTRIC BELLS,  
 PLATED WARE,  
 BREAD MIXERS,  
 ELECTRIC FLAT IRONS,  
 FOOD CHOPPERS,  
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 Hardware Specialties  
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